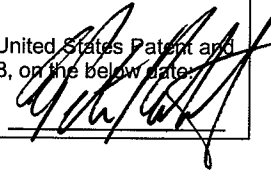


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**Case No. 12262/6**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: )  
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Ono et al. )  
) Group Art Unit: 1745  
Serial No.: 10/807,689 )  
) Examiner: Cantelmo  
Filed: March 24, 2004 )  
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For: Silica Sol Composition, Membrane ) Confirmation No. 4422  
Electrode Assembly With Proton- )  
Exchange Membrane, And Fuel Cell )

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

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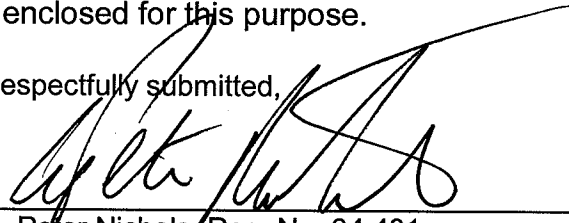
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